

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

Canton, 7th October.

THE MOON FEAST.

On Monday the Mid-Autumn Festival was celebrated, and the day was a holiday for all classes in Canton. This festival is also called the Moon Feast, and there is a pretty story in connection with it.

More than 4000 years ago there dwelt in the realms of Yao one Hao I, whose skill with the bow earned him the name of the Archer Lord. This great chief was married to a lady called Ch'ang Ngo, who seems to have been of an inquisitive disposition. Her husband, among other accomplishments, excelled in the art of making cakes which possessed the peculiar property of conferring immortality on all who ate of them. As he presumably did not feel quite capable of sharing more than a mortal life with Ch'ang Ngo, he kept these cakes hidden. One day, however, when he was absent, the lady discovered their hiding-place. As she was in the act of eating one, she heard the footsteps of her returning husband; who, in fact, caught her in the act. She fled, pursued by her irate lord. Unable to escape in any other way, she finally decided to fly to the moon, and there she at length found safety, although Hao I let by his bolts after her.

The Cantonese assemble on their roofs and on the walls to worship the moon, and eat pumkins, boiled taro, and moon-cakes, these last commemorating Hao I's cakes. There are no moon temples, and the worship is very informal; but no doubt some of the worshippers hope, with San T'yi, that the moon will "drop a gift from her fairy balloon." Altogether it is a pretty and harmless custom.

THE VICTORY'S RETURN.

The city is restored to tranquillity since the return of the Victory. His Excellency appeared in great state on Saturday, when he called on the Consular body. His return seemed to advantage, and was much admired by large crowds in the city. There is great joy expressed at his return by the merchants, and a sense of security prevails, except among the officials.

POLICE COURT.

Thursday, 8th October.

Before Mr. T. S. S. SMITH (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

Shui Chung Kin, a boy of 13 years, was up on remand charged with stabbing and wounding another boy, the complainant, at Yau-mat, on the 5th September. It appears that while a lot of boys were scrambling in the road for money, which was being thrown from the second floor of a house by Europeans, the accused snatched from the complainant a two-cent piece which he had secured. The latter tried to regain possession, and he was stabbed on the left side of the chest, sustaining injuries to the lung. Two boys who witnessed the affair gave evidence. Dr. E. A. R. Luing, from the Government Civil Hospital, submitted particulars as to when complainant was admitted to the hospital, and the condition he was in. He concluded by saying the boy's life was in danger for some weeks. The Chinese P.C. who made the arrest, said that defendant offered him \$100 for his release. His Worship said he would take the case into consideration. The sentence was 3 months' hard labour, and 12 strokes of the birch in the last week of the term.

ALLEGED FROM THE "MONMOUTHSHIRE."
Complaints have been frequently made regarding the number of calls looking on and about the wharves at Kowloon, and the numerous thefts from vessels lying alongside the wharves which have taken place. The police seem to have no power to prevent those not actually engaged in the work from loitering around, and waiting to pick up anything portable. They even do not hesitate to board the steamer and break into the sailors' quarters. A case of this description was before His Worship yesterday on the complaint of the chief officer of the *Monmouthshire*. It was proved that two of the three defendants broke into the forecabin of the *s.s. Monmouthshire*, then lying alongside discharging cargo, and stole articles of clothing to the value of \$18.33, the property of the cook. They received sentence of three months' labour each.

CHENG CHOI ADMITS TO LIFTING 19 SACKS OF cigarettes from No 104, Wellington Street, on Wednesday evening, in the absence of the owners, but indignantly denied annexing Japanese coins to the value of \$1.80, and \$15.50 in small change. His Worship being of an opinion contrary to that of Cheng Yuen Gao will have an additional labourer during the next six months.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

THE RIOT AT WEST POINT.

Adjourned from Wednesday, the case against fourteen coolies for behaving in a riotous and disorderly manner and assaulting a rich man, contractor and three coolies, was up for decision, the evidence of the coolies, whose injuries were seen in the hospital, being obtainable. His Worship said that the coolies were of two frequent occurrence. The first five defendants would be fined \$20 each or a month's hard labour; the others bound over in personal bond of \$25 for 3 months.

ARMED ASSAULT.
From the simple occurrence of water dripping through the ceiling into a room below, followed by an assault with knives which might have had fatal results. For some time complaints were made by those occupying the ground floor to the residents above about water pattering the ceiling and making matters uncomfortable. On Wednesday, getting tired of argument, three men rushed upstairs into a room where the water came, and savagely assaulted the two occupants. Being unarmed they made a poor show, one sustaining a deep gash on the arm, the other having a finger chopped off. At last the attacking party were forced from the room; the third was hit until, in response to the uproar and cries of "Save life," the police arrived. The man caught, Leung Pui, was charged yesterday, and remanded until next Thursday.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

Kobe, 8th October, 11.55 a.m.

RUSSIA'S REPLY TO JAPAN—GRAVE SITUATION.

There is good authority for saying that Baron Rosen has presented a Memorandum to Japan, in which Russia practically declines to withdraw from Manchuria; but she would agree to recognise Japan's paramount influence in Corea and to respect Japan's prestige and interests in Manchuria. Baron Komura has replied that in such a case there is no room for further negotiations.

THE STRAITS.

Singapore, 8th October, 12.55 p.m.

SIR FRANK SWETTENHAM'S DEPARTURE.

At a public Banquet in his honour Sir Frank Swettenham, replying to the toast of his health, said that he always put to the forefront justice to all classes and creeds. He believed that in the future Great Britain would have a great Malayan Empire, the beginnings of which were now apparent. The Sultans of Perak and Pahang and the Governor of British North Borneo were present at the Banquet.

A Ball will be given to-morrow.

H.E. the Governor leaves the Straits on Monday for a short holiday.

A MANILA IMMIGRATION SCANDAL.

Manila, Oct. 8th, 9.50 p.m.

John Miller, ex-Inspector of Immigration, has been arrested charged with issuing false Chinese certificates.

An extradition warrant is being prepared for the arrest of another ex-inspector.

The detectives who seized Miller's papers discovered a contract proposing to land two hundred Chinese. Other papers mention the names of prominent officials suggesting the amount of "squeeze" [required?]
It is believed that several hundred coolies, in the guise of merchants, have already entered the Philippines.

The Customs agents employed a coolie who paid 400 pesos for a false certificate, and reached Manila uninterrupted, thereby completing the chain of evidence.

REUTERS' SERVICE.

LONDON, 8th October.

Correspondence between the Duke of Devonshire and Mr. Balfour shows that the former resigned on account of Mr. Balfour's Sheffield speech, which he regarded as a direct encouragement to the advocates of protection. Mr. Balfour considers that the Duke of Devonshire's action will aggravate the party divisions, and he reminds the Duke that he assented on the 16th ultimo to remain in the Cabinet after the policy had been fully and frankly discussed in all its bearings, and that he has since then assisted in the formation of the Cabinet.

THE PRESS ON THE NEW CABINET.

LONDON, 8th October.

With the exception of the *Standard*, which laments the disruption of a powerful party, the Ministerial Press approves of the re-constituted Cabinet and the introduction of new young blood. Public opinion, however, is disposed to think the Cabinet is shaken, especially by the resignation of the Duke of Devonshire.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.N. steamer *Katong* left Manila for this port on the 7th inst., and is expected here to-morrow, at daylight.

The "Ben" Line steamer *Benwulch*, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore on the 7th inst. for this port, and may be expected here on the 13th inst.

The H.A.L. steamer *Artemis*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 7th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 12th inst., at daylight.

The O.S.S. steamer *Idoneus* left Shanghai on the 8th inst., p.m., for this port via Amoy.

The U.S. gunboat *Callao* arrived from Macao on Wednesday evening.

Mr. J. Procter, an English foreman in the employ of the Siamese Royal Railways Department, died in hospital at Bangkok, on the 23rd ult.

An official intimation was sent to the Banks at Bangkok on the 25th ult. that the Treasury selling rate for ticals, until further notice, is 17 to the pound sterling.

On the 3rd inst. a medal was to be issued in Siam to those of royal rank and to officials. It was struck in commemoration of the fact that H.M. the King of Siam has reigned 35 years, twice as long as his predecessor.

In the action brought by Messrs. Sansoon & Co., of Kobe, against Cho Ju-ki, a Chinese, formerly the comprador of the plaintiff firm, for the recovery of \$3,114.89 yen, judgment has been given for the sum claimed in full, with costs.

An American, by name H. B. Campbell, and some Chinese printers have been arrested at Yokohama for being concerned in the circulation of anonymous "expresses" of a scurrilous character in the former Settlement in Yokohama.

Mr. Reginald Tower, recently British Minister at Bangkok, but now holding a similar post at Munich and Stuttgart, has been appointed Secretary to the Alsace Boundary Commission, which commenced its sittings at the Foreign Office in London last month.

The *New York World* publishes the following:—A mysterious plague which has broken out among the iron-miners of Daquiri has spread widely in Cuba. It resembles bubonic plague, but is swifter and more deadly. The bodies of the victims are yellowish than the case in yellow fever. Eminent bacteriologists are engaged in studying blood samples in which malaria germs are generally found. Some are of opinion that the disease is only a malignant type of malarial fever.

The Emperor Francis Joseph is the most befitting monarch in the world. Without his Imperial crown (which is the identical tiara of Charlemagne) the Emperor is nine times a King, twice a Grand Duke, once a Grand Prince, twice a Prince, four times a Margrave, and the multitude of his titles as Count and so forth is past enumeration. The total of his titles of sovereignty and nobility exceeds a hundred. In addition, as King of Hungary he bears the title of "Most Apostolic," which is one of the four honours bestowed by the Pope.

In mentioning that the old ironed *Inflecta*, which took such a prominent part in the bombardment of the Alexandria forts, is to be sold out of the Navy, a home paper recalls the fact that it was on board the *Inflecta* that the late Commander Youngblood, then a Lieutenant, when one of the 8-ton guns stopped firing owing to the choking of the vent, had himself rammed into the gun right up to the powder chamber, where he cleared the vent with his fingers, and then, after being nearly suffocated by the powder gases, was hauled out bodily by a rope tied to his feet.

The Japanese paper *Nichi Nichi*'s correspondent at Peking says that when the preliminary arrangements for constructing the Trans-Asian line were made, Count Cassini engaged that, on the completion of the road, Russia would hand over a sum of five millions of taels to the Chinese Court. The line being completed, China has been pressing for payment, but Russia hesitates, and shows a disposition to make the carrying out of this agreement conditional upon China's acceptance of the latest series of Manchurian demands—whatever they may be.

The North Siamese correspondent of the *Bangkok Times* says:—The country is all quiet again, so far as the Shans are concerned, except in the districts near the 25-kilometre zone. Not until this zone disappears as a favoured strip of territory, will it cease to be a refuge for dacoits and evil doers of all descriptions.

All kinds of rumours are abroad concerning large bands of Shans gathering in Chiang Kiang on both sides of the river, but it seems impossible to find out the truth. As it is now, criminals from British, French and Siamese territory all find this untroubled zone a very comfortable home; from where, as headquarters, they can make a rushed attack on any one of a large number of villages across the British border, or on any village across the Kiang in French territory, or better still on the helpless villages near the zone in Siam.

The *Japan Mail* of the 25th ult. thus describes the latest phase of the Yung-ampho affair. Lio, or some other leader of freebooters, having taken up his headquarters at Yung-ampho, whence he threatened the property of the Lamber Company, M. Pavloff applied to the Korean Government to protect his nationals. The Korean Government replied that as no agreement had been concluded sanctioning the presence of Russian subjects at Yung-ampho, they could not recognise any responsibility for the protection of the latter, since any one settling in Corea outside treaty limits must do so at his own risk. M. Pavloff's retort was obvious: He addressed the timber-felling concession as binding the Korean Government to protect Russian subjects engaged in that enterprise, and he pointed out that if such protection were withheld, it must be on the assumption that Russia would take steps to provide it herself by sending troops to the threatened district. Of course if Russia adopt any such measure the situation will be very much complicated, the *Mail* says, for assuredly Japan will not look on quietly while the initial steps are taken for a Russian military occupation of the Yung Valley.

For Eastern affairs in general, and of Japan in particular, but also his liberal and moderate views can not fail to produce a salutary influence on the personages assembled at Port Arthur.

If now our Kobe correspondent's authority is correct (and his judgment is one which may be relied on), Baron Rosen, for all his moderation, has been obliged to be the means of presenting to Japan a document which that country does not find satisfactory. If Baron Komura, Japanese Minister of Foreign Affairs, has actually stated that "there is no room for further negotiations," this is tantamount to a declaration of war. Yet only nine days ago the Tokyo correspondent of the *North-China Daily News* telegraphed to the Shanghai paper, stating that much surprise had been caused in Japan in consequence of the rumours circulated in Europe concerning warlike preparations or war-fever in Japan; and that the situation did not inspire any new anxiety. Of course it is possible for the situation to change very rapidly in the lapse of a few days. Nevertheless, after the frequent reiterations of Japan's calm attitude (and there is no doubt that it was perfectly correct and diplomatic), it is surprising to read now so strongly provocative a declaration from the most responsible Minister, if Baron Komura has indeed made the reply attributed to him. The fact of the report being made now may or may not be taken as evidence of its truth. The 8th October being the original date fixed for the Russian withdrawal from Manchuria, it was popularly and naturally rumoured that Japan had given Russia up to that day to reply to her demands with regard to Manchuria. Yesterday was the 8th October, and Russia's alleged reply was announced. This might be an example of "the intelligent anticipation of events" of which we hear so much nowadays. So we are brought back once more to the question of the goodness of the authority responsible for the report which our Kobe representative has telegraphed. One thing is certain, that if the tale of Russia's memorandum and Japan's reply is true, then we are on the brink of a war which, as we wrote yesterday, must be terrible and far-reaching in its results.

Under the auspices of the Ladies' Benevolent Society, a promenade concert will be held on the Volunteer Parade Ground, on Saturday, the 17th inst.

An excellent entertainment is promised by the Victoria Variety Club in their concert, which will be held to-morrow, in F. Patrick's Hall. Special features are "Littipompon Variety Circle"—who are credited with the latest jokes, songs, etc.—"Conte," the juggler, and a sketch, *Between the Tiers*, or, *My Wife Won't Let Me*—one of Mark Melford's.

Not only is Canton going to send down a four-ton row at the Hongkong Regatta, but the local Boat Club is also sending up a crew to Canton. The latter event will be earlier in point of time. Canton's rowing talent has not been prominent of late, but there appears now to be a genuine revival, a fact which is welcome news to Hongkong, for it adds another element of competition in boating circles.

Eleven years ago to-morrow the P. & O. s.s. *Bokara* was wrecked off the Pescadore with a loss of 125 lives. Only 23 persons escaped, among them being D. J. A. Lawson, of the Government Civil Hospital, and a member of the Hongkong Cricket team which had been visiting Shanghai. The *Norman* was wrecked on the previous day (that is to say, eleven years ago to-day), all but two on board perishing.

By kind permission of Major Radcliff and officers, the Band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner to-day (weather permitting):—
March....."Carillon et Tambour".....Rosenstein
Entr'acte....."La Lettre du Japon".....Gillet
Section....."The Thirty Thieves".....Ed. Jones
Song....."Liebeslied".....Carol Kay
Section....."Reminiscences of Wales".....Gordon
Waltz....."Reveries".....Vander
Character Piece....."A Dervish Thru".....Lebek
"God Save the King."

The *London Daily Chronicle* writes:—"Sir Henry Blake will find a much wider scope in Ceylon than he had in the restricted island of Hongkong, both for his personal proclivity for travelling about, and his commendable spirit at all times to experiment with new forms of enterprise in connection with the planting industry. It was Sir Henry who opened the eyes of the Bahamas people to the feasibility of doing something with the sisal plant, which before his time at Nassau was regarded as a pest, and treated accordingly. In similar ways he did great service to Jamaica, but in Hongkong his hands were tied for want of space for experiments. Still, his long-headed policy in the Far East has helped us to draw in a large extension of territory on the Kowloon side, and the 330 square miles thus acquired may yet become a rich plantation territory under British enterprise. Sir Henry leaves £5,000 a year and 2800 table money in the yellow colony for an honorarium of 80,000 rupees in Colombo, and he will have to go in for some 'flaunting' calculations to see whether his change of venue will put him out of pocket or not. But why 'flaunting' calculations, when the rupee is fixed?"

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The news telegraphed by our Kobe correspondent yesterday morning is the most serious which has yet been announced since relations between Japan and Russia assumed their present strained aspect. All, of course, depends on the "good authority" mentioned by our correspondent. If it is sufficient to guarantee the validity of the report of Russia's memorandum to Japan and of the Japanese Foreign Minister's answer thereto, then it is useless to disguise the fact that prospects are very threatening. It has been rumoured from several sources, including the *Times* Peking correspondent, that Japan proposed to Russia some sort of a deal whereby Russia's position in Manchuria should be compensated by a like Japanese supremacy in Corea. The details of this arrangement were variously filled in by some of the correspondents. There was, however, no official confirmation, either Japanese or Russian, of such a report—as, indeed, was only to be expected. All that was known for certain, therefore, was that Russo-Japanese negotiations were proceeding at St. Petersburg. On the 23rd of last month Baron Rosen left Nagasaki for Port Arthur, his departure causing much speculation in the Japanese Press. The *Japan Mail* of the 25th ultimo, noting this, remarks that it does not appear to occur to the vernacular papers that Viscount ALEXANDER was on the point of holding at Port Arthur a council of all the principal officers and officials within his command, and that he might very reasonably have desired the assistance of Baron Rosen's advice. But while making this suggestion, the *Mail* does not wish to minimise the importance of Baron Rosen's visit to Port Arthur, "for not only his very exceptional knowledge of

CORRESPONDENCE.

CHAIR AND RICKSHA COOLIES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS,"
Hongkong, 7th October.

Sir, A few days ago you had an article in your paper on the subject of ricksha-coolies and chair-coolies. I therefore venture to write to you hoping you will give your powerful support to suppress a nuisance—I may say, to some Europeans of a somewhat irritable temperament, a quite intolerable nuisance. I allude to the fact of every other chair or ricksha-coolie one passes in the street soliciting your custom—and this in no quiet fashion, but "Hi, John, Hi Captain, ricksha, chair!" shouted at the top of their voices. I had just come from the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and walked to the Hongkong Dispensary; during that time I should think I was bowed at quite 100 times—mark you, this was done simply as an impudence, the men well knowing they were not required. One man almost followed me into Watson's, and on my calling the attention of the English gentleman there who served me, he remanded things were managed very differently in Shanghai, and that such a state of things there would not be tolerated for an instant. I wonder where else it would be.

A bath-chair in England is the nearest approach we have to a ricksha. I wonder how long people in England would stand a chorus of shouts and yells from all bath-chair men on a stand and the being followed in your walk by some half-dozen?

I have known China off and on for close on thirty years, and I am always most careful to treat shop-keepers, servants, etc., with civility and courtesy—I never chaff them, and never wish to do so. It is not too much, surely, to think that a humble subject of the King, who has passed the half-century, might be allowed to walk down the main street of an English colonial town without being howled and shrieked at like a mad dog.—Yours, etc.,
ENGLISHMAN.

NOTES FROM THE BOTANIC GARDEN.

A very useful shrub which is just beginning to flower is *Berberis Cristata*, a native of Hongkong, and cultivated generally in the East Indies. It was introduced into cultivation in England more than a hundred years ago. It makes a nice bush in Hongkong, growing to a height of 4 or 5 ft. There are several varieties, and four of these may be found in the gardens. The flowers of the type are mauve in colour, and one variety has pure white flowers. A third is intermediate, having variegated white and mauve flowers; a fourth variety, as well as the variegated form, originated in the gardens, and is a pleasing shade of pink in colour. All the varieties are growing in the shrubbery just above the lower entrance to the new garden, in Albany Road, but some of them are not in flower yet. The flowers are funnel-shaped, and are produced freely at the ends of the branches, but they do not last long in perfection.

There are many good things amongst the Ipomoeas, and *Ipomoea Horsfallii* is certainly one of them. A fine plant is growing at the east end of the rose-bud terrace in the old garden, trained on a wire fence. A smaller specimen may be seen at the west end of the rose-bud terrace in a similar manner. The flowers are purplish-red, campanulate in shape, 1½ to 2 inches long, with the limb slightly reflected. The plant is figured in the *Botanical Magazine* for 1836, where Sir William Hooker states it was introduced from seeds received by a Mr. Chas. Horsfall, either from Africa or from the East Indies. Dr. Maxwell L. Masters, F.R.S., in the *Gardener's Chronicle* for 1885 challenges this remark, and further states he had positive evidence in the shape of wild specimens from Mr. J. H. Hart, Superintendent of the Botanic Gardens, Jamaica, that the plant was a native of that island. In the *Index Kewensis* published in 1893, the habitat of the plant is given as the East Indies, while in the list of *Tender Dicotyledons*, published by the Royal Gardens Kew, in 1899, it is said to be a native of the West Indies. Anyway it is a plant well worth growing. The original specimen in the gardens was received in a 'nordium' case from the Botanic Gardens, Mauritius, some years ago.

Azigenon leptopus, a native of South America, and belonging to the buckwheat family, is another showy creeper at this time of the year. The plant should be grown in the sun and given plenty of room, and when this is the case the flowers are produced in great numbers. The long trailing masses of pink flowers, when cut, are very suitable for arranging in vases. There are two plants at the east end of the lower terrace in the old garden, and several others growing on a fence above the plant-house.

No rain has been yet registered this month.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—
The barometer has risen over N. China, fallen over Japan and the Philippines.
The Manchurian depression has reached NE. Japan, and another low area seems to be lying near SW. Japan.
Pressure is now high over N. China and relatively low over the N. part of the China Sea, where a low pressure trough probably exists.
Strong NE. monsoon is setting down the China coast.
Forecast:—NE. winds; freshening; equally rain.

HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon in the Board Room. Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Principal Civil Medical Officer (President), presided, and there were also present Hon. W. Chatham, Director of Public Works (Vice-President); Mr. C. McI. Messer, Acting Registrar-General; Colonel W. E. Webb, R.A.M.C., Captain F. W. Lyons, Acting C.S.P.; Mr. Fung Wa Chun, Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Mr. A. Ramjahn, Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C.; Mr. E. A. Howett; Dr. Pearce, Acting Medical Officer of Health; Dr. Barnett, Assistant Medical Officer of Health; and Mr. G. A. Woodcock (Secretary).

PREVENTION OF PLAGUE NEXT YEAR.
There appeared on the agenda, as to be considered confidentially, a minute by the M.O.H. relative to the question of what preventive measures are to be undertaken during the coming winter against plague next year.

Mr. Fung Wa Chun moved the suspension of the Standing Orders to allow him to move a certain alteration of the agenda.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Fung Wa Chun then moved that the item mentioned above be considered in public; it had been customary in previous years to consider this matter in public, and the principle ought to be adhered to.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak seconded.

The President stated that he had no objection to this being done. The only thing he wished to say was that this involved a considerable amount of expenditure and matters of that kind were generally considered in private.

The motion was agreed to.

At a later stage.

The President said he thought they were all agreed that some cleansing measures must be taken in the winter to combat this disease. The question was whether the Board should recommend the Government that its own officers should undertake the work of cleansing as in 1901 and 1902 or whether the Board should allow the Chinese to do it themselves as they had done last winter. Last winter was exceptional as there was a greater dearth of water than one generally met with. That might account for the cleansing not having been so effectual as in the previous winter. In neither 1895 nor 1897 which were mild years was there any general cleansing. He thought overcrowding was a more important factor than cleansing.

Hon. Mr. Pollock moved that cleansing be carried out by the people themselves under the supervision of the officers of the Board. They should educate the Chinese to do something for themselves.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak expressed himself in accordance with Mr. Pollock's views.

Mr. Hewett trusted that the experiment carried out by the Governor in the Western District would be extended to the whole of the town.

Mr. Fung Wa Chun expressed the belief that the Chinese would respond to the call of the Board if they were called upon to cleanse their houses. The best step to take was to enlist their co-operation.

Mr. Ramjahn seconded the motion, and it was agreed to.

On the motion of the President, the following committee was appointed to arrange for the work of cleansing to be carried out, district by district:—Messrs. Lau Chu Pak, and Fung Wa Chun, Dr. Pearce and Mr. Howett.

A PUBLIC NUISANCE IN QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.
With reference to a question put by Hon. H. E. Pollock relating to an objectionable public nuisance in Queen's Road East in front of No. 3 Police Station.

The Vice-President stated that probably the introduction of a tractor fan would effect an improvement.

This course of action was agreed to.

PLAGUE-INFECTED RATS.
The following minute by the M.O.H. was placed on the agenda:—

"At a meeting of the Board held on the 9th April this year it was decided that, during the continuance of the epidemic of plague, it was not advisable to treat rat-bites with carbolic acid or to fill them up with cement. The object was to prevent as much as possible driving rats from infected houses into non-infected ones. Now, however, that the epidemic is over, it is necessary to take steps to rid houses of rats as effectually as possible. The plague inspectors are now engaged in inspecting houses for rat-runs and in seeing notices to fill in rat-runs are complied with. Since the re-arrangement of the rat-catching staff comparatively few rats are as yet being caught, but many more are now being caught alive in houses than formerly, and the percentage of plague-infected rats has gone up. I feel sure, and I think every member of the staff is of the same opinion, that the only way to get the people to help in destroying rats is to avoid disturbing them when a plague rat is found on their premises. I quite agree with the idea that a house in which a plague-infected rat has been found may be as great a source of danger as, if not greater than, a house in which a human case of plague has occurred and that logically we ought to turn out and disinfect every house from which a plague rat has come. It is quite certain, however, that the moment we do this the people will determine that no more rats shall be caught on their premises. Of course it is open to us to disinfect every house within, say, 100 yards of the space where a plague-infected rat has been found in the street, so as to make them tolerably sure that we are disinfecting their right house. Disinfection is worse than useless unless properly carried out, and the method which has been adopted here formerly is, I think, inadequate as a preventive measure, while it is extremely irritating to the people. I refer to the washing-out of the ground floors

only of houses near where a plague rat has been found. At present the inspectors disinfect the floors to the tenants where an infected rat has been found, or will give them disinfectants for their own use if they wish. The question of what is to be the policy of the Board in this matter is an important one, and should, I think, be decided very soon by the Board."

The President:—"There can be no doubt that most of the rats caught before August, when a bonus was given for each rat, were introduced to the Colony. The best plan, I think, will be to have the rat-runs treated with carbolic acid and filled in, and for the inspectors to persuade the people to cleanse and disinfect the houses in which plague rats are found."

Mr. Fung Wa Chun:—"I quite agree with the A.M.O.H. that the people would now catch or allow the rats to be caught, even if cages were put in their houses, lest their houses be upset by the disinfecting gangs. The best policy of the Board is to offer the cleansing to the tenants with disinfectants supplied free of charge. In that case we may hope that the destruction of rats may be done off-actually."

Mr. Lau Chu Pak:—"Past experience does not show that disinfection can successfully prevent infection. But as the M.O.H. advises that it should be kept up, I am in favour of giving permission to the people to carry it out themselves. The Sanitary Board to supply the requisite disinfectants free of charge. If the people are subjected to the same hardship and annoyance as they used to be they cannot be blamed for refusing to help in destroying rats on their premises."

Colonel Webb:—"I think the suggestion of the Hon. P.A.M.O. should be carried out."

Mr. A. Ramjahn:—"The present system of compelling owners of property to fill up rat-runs should be changed. The owners ought to be made to do it; thereby the destruction of rats would be carried out more expeditiously."

Mr. Howett:—"If the suggestion is acted upon someone must see that the people properly disinfect their own premises. The President said this rat problem seemed to be a very serious one. During last summer they had come to the conclusion that rats were being introduced into the Colony for the sake of the bonus. Accordingly the Board altered their system and employed a much smaller staff thinking they might be able to get more rats. The suggestion because more had been got than formerly. The question was what steps should be taken in regard to those houses in which rats were found. Professor Simpson recommended in his memorandum that not only the house in which a plague-infected rat was found but also the three houses on each side should be similarly dealt with. Winter was the time to attack these pests, and it seemed to them a suitable time to bring this matter up. They might adopt some such plan as this, that in every house in which a plague-infected rat is found the inspector should attend and fill in rat-runs with carbolic acid and give the people the option for a week of cleansing the premises themselves, the Board supplying the necessary disinfectants. If at the end of that time it was found that the rat had not been done then the Board must take the matter in hand and deal with it themselves. There was another question, and that was the adoption of a system of destruction of rats by poisoning. The Hon. Professor Simpson, Dr. Barnett would be able to tell them that this system had been used in London."

Dr. Barnett stated that such measures were adopted when the Strand was being pulled down and the rats invaded the bar of the Gaiety Theatre to such an extent that the barmaids could hardly stand it (laughter); the rats ate all the food that was left on the counters. The President suggested that they should use both methods, recommending that the Government to require the bacteriologist to prepare a certain quantity of this rat-infesting bacilli for distribution amongst the inspectors; also that the measures he had recommended should be taken with regard to the Chinese either cleansing their houses or the Sanitary Board taking the matter in hand.

Hon. Mr. Pollock asked if this bacilli had affected rats only?

The President replied that it did not affect either man, or domestic animals. Mr. Hewett asked if they would not be a nuisance caused by dead rats lying about? The President replied that any nuisance of that kind would be slight; the dead carcasses would soon dry up.

The Vice-President seconded. This contention, he said, was as great as could possibly be made in the matter. If they conceded so much the people ought to meet them and render further action unnecessary.

The motion was agreed to.

THE DISPOSING OF BURISH TRINE.
Further correspondence was submitted relative to suggested sites for the depositing of rubbish, etc., during stormy weather.

The D.P.W. pointed out, as he had already said, he was not aware of any available site in the Western District of the City, with the exception of the recently reclaimed area west of Cadogan Street, Kennedyway. In Kowloon he would suggest sites at the reclaimed area a little to the south of the Police Station at Yau-mai, and to the west of Gillies Avenue at Hung Hom; both of these would be of a purely temporary nature.

Mr. E. A. Howett:—"A site at the western end of the town is to my mind imperative, and if the Government have a suitable site available one should be purchased or reclaimed."

The President moved that the Government be recommended to authorise the use of these areas of land, as defined, for this purpose.

Hon. Mr. Pollock seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

AN APPLICATION.
There was laid on the table further correspondence relative to the application for permission to erect a trough descent on Inland Lot Lot No. 1633.

Mr. Hewett submitted that it was imperative there be a sufficient, continuous flow of water to keep the pipes of this proposed trough descent absolutely clear from the lower down to the sea, and as there was not a sufficient supply here the Board would be setting dangerous precedent if they allowed the application. No fixed water-courses should be granted for any house within a very few feet above the level of the sea.

Hon. Mr. Pollock seconded.

On a division, this motion was defeated by 5 to 3.

The application was granted.

REPTILES.
The rat poison showed that during the two weeks ended 31st inst. 585 rats were destroyed. Of these 5 were found to be infected with plague. There was no other important business before the meeting.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LD.

In the Society's offices, 1, Queen's Buildings, at noon yesterday, the thirtieth ordinary meeting of shareholders was held. Mr. A. G. Wood (chairman) presided, and there were also present Messrs. N. A. Siebs, H. W. Sadoe, E. S. Whalley, and C. A. Tomes (directors). W. J. Saunders (secretary), Hon. Ganhom Stewart, Messrs. Ahmer, C. E. H. Boavia, H. J. M. Carvalho, J. A. Carvalho, F. D. Gollard, F. B. Hott, H. B. Hunter, G. Melchers, J. R. Michael, H. M. B. Nemezie, C. H. Rogge, A. E. Rouse, H. W. D. Schmidt, E. V. M. R. Saza, R. C. Wilcox, and G. Winterburn.

The SECRETARY having read the notice calling the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen,—The report has been in your hands for nearly three weeks, and with your permission, I will take it as read. The figures we have to lay before you are, we consider, very satisfactory. They compare favourably in every particular with the figures contained in last year's report, and as the rate of exchange taken for the 30th June 1933 is the same as that taken for the 30th June, 1932 the comparison is a fair one and not upset by exchange. The result of working for the year 1932 shows a balance of \$968,815.98 now to be dealt with, this being rather more than \$150,000 in excess of the balance shown for the 1931 account last year. We propose to pay a dividend of \$32 per share (against \$30 last year), to place to reserve \$150,000, and to carry forward to underwriting suspense account \$4,815.98. The figures for the year 1933 are, so far as they go, exceedingly good, showing an increase in premium of more than \$100,000 and a decrease in losses of \$165,000 as compared with last year at the same date, but, as you are aware, it is far too early to make any forecast of the final result yet.

Turning now to the balance-sheet we find our funds in the East have increased by some \$200,000, and that investments in London and Melbourne have increased by some \$44,000. On the other side of the account we find an increase in paid-up capital of \$500,000 and a decrease in exchange fluctuation account of a similar sum. The shareholders were fully informed of this proposed transfer from exchange fluctuation account to capital account last year, and it was carried out at the end of the year without any dissenting voice being heard. This brings me to the question of exchange, a question which was referred to at some length at our last annual meeting and has continued to be an ever-present matter of consideration to your directors in the meantime. To a company whose liabilities to its shareholders are in dollars, but whose business is mainly in sterling and whose assets have therefore to be largely held in sterling, the proper method of dealing with exchange is of vital importance, and I think our system has very well stood the test of the recent violent fluctuations in the value of the dollar. The insurance fund and underwriting suspense account which you were told last year were treated as gold liabilities are this year shown as such in the balance-sheet. The investment fluctuation account is mainly a gold liability, and also the working account, 1933 balance is, to a large extent, in gold. Any fall in the dollar equivalent of sterling investments would be met, to a large extent, by a corresponding fall in the above-named liabilities, and for the net we have to fall back on the exchange fluctuation account, which is at the present time sufficient to insure the balance of our sterling assets up to 2s. 6d. for the dollar, which seems a fairly safe limit. The dollar now stands at 1s. 1½d., or 2½d. higher than it did at the 30th June, a rise of more than 11 per cent in the three months, and shareholders are to be congratulated on being able to remit their dividends home in this figure should they wish to do so. Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be glad to hear if anyone would like to ask any questions.

No questions being asked, the Chairman proposed that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and passed.

The Hon. GERSHOM STEWART said:—Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—I rise with very much pleasure to second the adoption of the report and accounts, but the figures are so extremely satisfactory that I do not think it requires any words of mine to recommend them to you. They speak very eloquently for themselves, and I am sure we are all fed in a very contented frame of mind when we see our resources so well invested and available at the shortest possible notice. I think the remarks which the chairman made about the manner in which this company treats the very difficult problem of exchange are worthy of earnest attention. It shows us the sound way in which good management can meet this very difficult question, and is an object lesson which we can all profit by. When we find the yearly reports issued by the company continue to be satisfactory in the face of the ever-changing conditions of wind and weather, and the increasing competition, we must realise and appreciate that our interests are in very able hands at all points. (Applause) We know that the foundations of the success of this company were well and truly laid by careful, steady and consistent policy in years gone by, and it is comforting to feel that the same systematic efficiency is maintained now that we are a much larger concern. I am sure I am expressing the views of all present when I welcome back our most excellent secretary, who has been a victim for some days to an attack of dengue, and we wish him a complete recovery, the best of health, and continued prosperity (Applause).

The motion was then put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

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Mr. G. WINTERBURN proposed and Mr. AHMER seconded that Messrs. N. A. Siebs and A. G. Wood be re-elected to the directorate.

The CHAIRMAN:—Our next business is the election of the auditors. Mr. J. H. Cox retired from his position as auditor at the end of last year, having served continuously in that position since 1876, a period of 26 years. The Board would like to place on record their appreciation of his services during this long period. Mr. Lowe was appointed to audit the present accounts, and stands for re-election together with Mr. Potts.

Capt. F. D. GOLLARD proposed and Mr. J. MELCHERS seconded that Messrs. W. Button Potts and A. R. Lowe be re-elected auditors. Carried.

The CHAIRMAN said:—That is all the business to be put before the meeting, gentlemen. Thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants will be issued to-morrow.



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Oct. 8, HONGKONG, French str., 750, H. Suzann, Hongkong and Hollow 7th Oct., General.
Oct. 8, R. MARTY.
Oct. 8, INDIAN, British str., 3, 152, R. P. Craven, Portland (Or) 4th Sept., General.
Oct. 8, MONKUT, German str., 596, Gotche, Bangkok 1st Oct., Rice and Wood.
Oct. 8, BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Oct. 8, TAIWAN, British str., 1, 100, H. Harder, Shanghai via Amoy and Swatow 2nd Oct., General. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

CLEARANCES.
AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.
8th October.
An Pho, British str., for Swatow.
Choufa, German str., for Shanghai.
Moumouli, British str., for Yokohama.
Sado More, Japanese str., for Yokohama.

DEPARTURES.
8th October.
CHOWTAI, German str., for Bangkok.
HAIKONG, British str., for Swatow.
INDRAMAYA, British str., for Canton.
KOWLOON, German str., for Canton.
LOONGMOON, German str., for Canton.
MERPOO, Chinese str., for Canton.
TAIWAN, British str., for Canton.
THEMIS, Norwegian str., for Saigon.

VESSELS IN DOCK.
8th October.
ABERDEEN DOCK.—Pembroke, Tailor.
Kowloon Dock.—Pembroke, Tailor.
Mercedes, British str., for Yokohama.
Co-mopolitan Dock.—Nanyang.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The British steamer *Trinidad*, from Shanghai via Amoy and Swatow, had strong S.E. wind, monsoon gale and heavy sea to Amoy; thence variable winds with heavy rain squalls. Small typhoon passed over near Amoy. 12 ships anchored in the outer harbour, Monday night.
The British steamer *Indra*, from Portland (Or) 4th Sept., had strong N.E. wind, rough following sea, fine and clear weather from Meiji to Hsienan. From Hsienan to Tuenmou 16th N. in the China Sea from 11° to 16° N., had moderate S.W. wind, heavy rain squalls and N.E. swell; from there to port light S.E. and N.E. winds, smooth water.

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LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	SIMLA	Brit. str.	C. D. Goldsmith	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	HORNEO	Brit. str.	G. W. Gordon	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 17th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	TANTALUS	Brit. str.	Butterfield & Swire	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	10th Nov.
LONDON & ANTWERP	POLYPHEMUS	Brit. str.	Butterfield & Swire	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	24th Nov.
LIVERPOOL	IDOMENEUS	Brit. str.	Butterfield & Swire	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	13th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ACHILLES	Brit. str.	Butterfield & Swire	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	15th Dec.
MARSEILLES, LONDON &c., v. SP'ORE, &c.	AGAMEMNON	Brit. str.	H. Nash	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	13th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON &c., v. SP'ORE, &c.	HITACHI MARU	Jap. str.	J. Campbell	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	17th inst., Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	E. SIMONS	Ger. str.	Froment	Butterfield & Swire	27th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	PAK LING	Jap. str.	J. B. MacMillan	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	31st inst., Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON &c., v. SP'ORE, &c.	WAKASA MARU	Jap. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	10th Nov.
MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	NINIGOW	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	8th Dec.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ANTHON	Brit. str.	G. Moir	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	22nd Dec.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	PROTHEUS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	5th Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	DROMEDUS	Brit. str.	C. Dwyer	MALCHERS & CO.	14th inst., at Noon
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SEYDLITZ	Ger. str.	Schulke	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	20th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	Hedemer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	3rd November.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SAXONIA	Ger. str.	Borch	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	17th November.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	MARBURG	Ger. str.	Matcovich	SANDER, WIELE & CO.	1st December.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SUEVIA	Ger. str.	E. A. Chaptan	DODWELL & CO., LD.	21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	F. FERDINAND	Brit. str.	A. Beer	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHIMODA	Rus. str.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R.R. CO.	21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	NORDBERG	Brit. str.	J. Traubridge	DODWELL & CO., LD.	4th November.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ACHESIAN	Brit. str.	N. Ohno	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	VICTORIA	Brit. str.	R. P. Craven	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	20th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	RISON MARU	Jap. str.	A. E. Moses	PORTLAND & ASIATIC CO.	2nd November.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ONFA	Brit. str.	Dabelle	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	14th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	INDRAVELLI	Jap. str.	Gronowyer	GIBB LIVINGSTON & CO.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	YAWATA MARU	Brit. str.	J. C. Williamson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	GUTHRIE	Brit. str.	T. Murai	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	26th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	TAIYUAN	Ger. str.	H. Fraser	CHINA COM. S.S. CO.	13th inst., at 5 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ARTEMISIA	Brit. str.	Meyer	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	30th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	LOTHIAN	Brit. str.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	23rd inst., D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	BOMBAY MARU	Jap. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	27th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	KANAKI MARU	Jap. str.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	11th inst., D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	TAIWAN	Brit. str.	H. N. Vyvyan	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	24th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SULLBERG	Ger. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at Noon
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	NANCHANG	Brit. str.	O. L. W. Field	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	M'GOUTHRE	Brit. str.	T. W. Groves	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 9th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	WUHS	Brit. str.	K. Akashi	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	13th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	MALEA	Brit. str.	I. Goto	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	14th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	TAIWAN	Brit. str.		OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	18th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	DAIGO MARU	Jap. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	13th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	MAIDZURU MARU	Jap. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	KAFONG	Brit. str.	Robson	DODGILL & LANGE & CO.	11th inst., D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANTUNG	Brit. str.	A. E. Moses	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	THALES	Brit. str.	Dabelle	GIBB LIVINGSTON & CO.	To-morrow, 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	R. Neiger	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	To-morrow, 10
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	GUTHRIE	Brit. str.	H. W. Smith	POTO KISEN KAISHA	To-morrow, 11
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ZAFEE	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ROSETTA MARU	Jap. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 24th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	RUBI	Brit. str.	W. M. Smith	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	26th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SUNOKIANG	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	13th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHAWAU	Brit. str.	Belaito	CARLOWITZ & CO.	13th inst., at Noon
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	Todd	JARVIS, MATHESON & CO.	About 16th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	WUCHANG	Brit. str.	W. H. S. Hall	P. & O. S. N. Co.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	CAPRI	Brit. str.			
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	LAIBANG	Brit. str.			

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LD. AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD. JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAPA,
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PRIAM"	On 13th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"POLYPHEMUS"	On 17th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"ANTENOR"	On 24th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"OATFA"	On 31st October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"ULYSSES"	On 7th November.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"ACHILLES"	On 14th November.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PROMETHEUS"	On 21st November.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PELEUS"	On 30th November.

HOMEWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"AGAMEMNON"	On 13th October.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"IDOMENEUS"	On 17th October.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PAK LING"	On 27th October.
MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL LONDON and ANTWERP	"NINGCHOW"	On 10th November.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TANTALUS"	On 10th November.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"POLYPHEMUS"	On 24th November.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ANTENOR"	On 8th December.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	On 15th December.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PROMETHEUS"	On 22nd December.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DARDANUS"	On 5th January.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA.	"OANFA"	On 2nd November.
	"PELEUS"	On 2nd December.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"WUHU"	On 10th October.
AMOI and MANILA	"KAIFONG"	On 12th October.
LOILO	"WUJIANG"	On 13th October.
SHANGHAI	"TAIWAN"	On 13th October.
AMOI, SAMARANG and SOERABAYA	"SHANTUNG"	On 17th October.
MANILA	"SUNGKIANG"	On 21st October.
CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	"NANCHANG"	On 24th October.
MANILA	"TAIYUAN"	On 26th October.

PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY
ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS,
TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE,
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE

REDUCED SALON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN TO MANILA AND
AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1903.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"O. L. W. Field"	About 9th October	Mail Steamer.
LONDON, &c.	"SIMLA" C. D. Goldsmith, R.N.R.	Noon, 10th October	See Special Advertisement.
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, MAZAGON and BOMBAY	"W. H. S. Hall"	About 16th October	Freight only.
LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	"BORNEO" G. W. Gordon, R.N.R.	About 17th October	Freight and Passage.

* Calling at Penang if sufficient inducement offers.

For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1903.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
YAWATA MARU A. E. Moses	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, VIA MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	FRIDAY, 9th Oct., at 4 P.M.
HITACHI MARU J. Campbell	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	SATURDAY, 17th Oct., at DAYLIGHT.
RIOJUN MARU N. Ohno	VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, U.S.A. VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 20th Oct., at 4 P.M.
KAWACHI MARU H. Fraser	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 23rd Oct., at DAYLIGHT.
BOMBAY MARU T. Murali	MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 30th Oct., at NOON.
WAKASA MARU J. B. MacMillan	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	SATURDAY, 31st Oct., at DAYLIGHT.

Through Passenger Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada
and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers.
Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Moji and Kobe, 1st and 2nd Class through
passengers have the option of travelling by the Sanyo Railway.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's
Local Branch Office, Prince's Building First Floor, Charter Road.

Apply to—
T. S. TAKAYANAGI, Acting Manager.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG VIA INLAND SEA PORTLAND, OREGON
ON 2nd JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA FOR
OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP	Tons.	CAPTAIN	TO SAIL ON
"INDRAVELLI"	4,889	R. P. Craven	October 14, 1903
"INDRAPURA"	4,889	A. E. Hollingsworth	November 14, 1903
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	W. E. Craven	December 14, 1903

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and
United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate
with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1903.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL
(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT PHILIPPINE
PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.	1903.
"SHIMOSA"	About 10th Oct.
"KURDISTAN"	24th Oct.
"RICHMOND CASTLE"	7th Nov.
"ORONO"	21st Nov.
"LOWTHER CASTLE"	To follow.

For Freight and further information, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd October, 1903. [1125]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"LAISANG"

Captain Tadd, will be despatched as above on
TUESDAY, the 13th inst., at NOON.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 6th October, 1903. [2892]

THE AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAM- SHIP COMPANY.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR NEW
YORK VIA THE SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"NORDKYN," Captain A. Beer,

will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 17th
OCTOBER, to be followed by the steamship

"HERMISTON," Captain W. T. Bain.

on or about WEDNESDAY, 18th NOVEM-
BER.

For Freight, &c., apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1903. [2657]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS—POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDICHERY,
CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, ADEN,
DIBOUTI, EGYPT,
MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN
AND BLACK SEA PORTS,
LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX;
ALSO

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 20th October, 1903,

"ERNEST SIMONS," Captain Froment, with
Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave
this Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of
Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with
the Australian line s.s. "Ville de la Ciotat,"
bound for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY and
ADEN.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London
as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in
transit through Marseilles for the principal
places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon
only on Monday, the 19th October. Specie and
Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day.
No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they
must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents
and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Com-
pany's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 8th October, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

HONGKONG—MANILA.
REDUCED SALOON PASSAGE
MONEY.

SINGLE, \$20; RETURN, \$35.

STEAMERS FITTED THROUGHOUT WITH
ELECTRIC LIGHT, FIRST CLASS ACCOM-
MODATION, UNEQUALLED TABLE, DUTY
QUALIFIED SUGGERS CARRIED.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 4th July, 1903. [1964]

FOR CANTON.

"SAN CHEUNG,"
951 Tons, Captain A. Murphy, will leave for
Canton at 8 P.M. on SUNDAYS, TUES-
DAYS and THURSDAYS and return to
Hongkong on the following days, leaving Canton
at 5 P.M. Excellent accommodation, electric
light, and perfect cuisine. Wharf at Hongkong
near Harbour Office.

First-class Fare, \$3 each way. Meals, \$1
each.

Cargo Freight very moderate.

J. TREVOUX & CO.,
No. 128, Consuept Road Central,
Hongkong, 30th June, 1903. [1751]

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS
in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line
are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS
OF LADING for all the principal ports in
SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-
CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly
service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from
CALCUTTA for CAPS PORTS every fortnight.
For Freight and further particulars,
apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
General Agents for China and Japan.
Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVI- GATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
TRIESTE AND TRIESTE (DIRECT),
Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG,
CALCUTTA, COLOMBO, ADEN,
SUEZ and PORT SAID.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRAZILS,
to SOUTH AFRICA, RED SEA, BLACK SEA,
LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS).

THE Company's Steamship

"FRANZ FERDINAND,"

Captain Matevich, will be despatched as above
on WEDNESDAY, the 21st October.

For information as to Passage and Freight,
apply to

SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
Agents,
Princes' Buildings.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [3]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES STEAMSHIP "ERNEST SIMONS"

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s.
Cordon and Dordogne, in connection
with above Steamer, are hereby informed
that their Goods, with the exception
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are
being landed and stored at their risk
into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at
Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained
immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless
intimation is received from the Consignees
before NOON, TO-DAY, the 5th inst., requesting
it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed
after Monday, the 12th inst., at NOON, will be
subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before
the 12th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on
Monday, the 12th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 5th October, 1903. [2]

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

(Fiorio and Rubattino United Companies.)

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"CAPRI,"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their
Goods are being landed at their risk into the
Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery
may be obtained. Perishable Goods to be
taken delivery of immediately.

All damaged packages must be left in the
Godowns, and a certificate obtained from the
Godown Company, within seven days after the
vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will
be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and
any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the
11th inst. will be subject to rent.

CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th October, 1903. [4]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVI-
GATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"TANTALUS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being
discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the
Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both
cases it will be at Consignees' risk. The Cargo
will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown
on and after the 7th inst.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice
has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined at 11 A.M. on the 9th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods
remaining undelivered after the 9th inst. will
be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-
sented to the Undersigned on or before the 12th
inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th October, 1903. [10-12]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANT-
WERP, LONDON, PORT SAID,
COLOMBO AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"SADO MARU"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their
Goods are being landed and placed at their risk
in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where
each consignment will be sorted out mark by
mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as
the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless in-
structions are given to the contrary before
NOON, TO-DAY, 7th inst.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in
the Godowns and notice of same sent to this
Office before the 17th inst., or claims in con-
nection therewith will not be recognised.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1903. [2817]

DENSMORE TYPEWRITERS

NATIONAL CASH REGISTERS.
OLD ON EASY MONTHLY PAYMENTS.
For Information, &c., apply to—
M. A. CLARKE,
Sole Agent, 2, 4 & 6, Raffles, Manila, P.I.
[2784]

Hongkong, 5th October, 1903.

MELLIN'S FOOD

For INFANTS and INVALIDS.
Purely Vegetable and Untouched by Hand.
MELLIN'S FOOD is free from Starch. When prepared
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Mellin's Food Works, Peckham, London, England.

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,
HONGKONG AGENTS.
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OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVI-
GATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"CALCHAS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being
discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the
Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both
cases it will be at Consignees' risk. The Cargo
will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown
on and after the 3rd inst.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless notice
has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined at 11 A.M. on the 9th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods
remaining undelivered after the 9th inst. will
be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-
sented to the Undersigned on or before the 12th
inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th October, 1903. [10-12]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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WERP, LONDON, PORT SAID,
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mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as
the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless in-
structions are given to the contrary before
NOON, TO-DAY, 7th inst.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in
the Godowns and notice of same sent to this

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Parcel Mails for Europe, &c., per s.s. *Finia*, will close at 3 p.m. to-day.
The *Malta*, with the English Mail of the 11th ult., left Singapore on Sunday, the 4th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here to-day. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 11th August.
The *Gaelic*, with the American Mail of the 11th ult., left Shanghai on Wednesday, the 7th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PER	DATE
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Chongfa	Friday, 9th, 8.00 A.M.
Canton	Kienan	Friday, 9th, 9.30 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Monmouthshire	Friday, 9th, 11.00 A.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Manzanilla and San Francisco	Lothian	Friday, 9th, 11.00 A.M.
Cebu	Muchan	Friday, 9th, 1.15 P.M.
Macao	Heungshun	Friday, 9th, 3.00 P.M.
Kamohuk and Samahui	Tungkong	Friday, 9th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	Yasuda Maru	Friday, 9th, 3.00 P.M.
Taiwan	Yasuda Maru	Friday, 9th, 5.00 P.M.
Namtu	Tai Chen	Friday, 9th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow	Hoi Fui	Friday, 9th, 5.00 P.M.
Macao	Wingchui	Friday, 9th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	Patahai	Friday, 9th, 5.00 P.M.
Manila	Zafra	Saturday, 10th, 9.00 A.M.
Pakhoi and Haiphong	Hongkong	Saturday, 10th, 9.30 A.M.
Canton	Hankow	Saturday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
Manila	Rosita Maru	Saturday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C. and Tacoma	Victoria	Saturday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
EUROPE, &c., India via Taitoorin		Saturday, 10th, 11.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)		
(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)		
Macao	Heungshun	Saturday, 10th, 1.15 P.M.
Singapore, Sourabaya and Samarang	Marie Jensen	Saturday, 10th, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Waltz	Saturday, 10th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	Guthrie	Saturday, 10th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Thales	Saturday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Namtu	Tai Chen	Saturday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow	Hoi Fui	Saturday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Macao	Wingchui	Saturday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	Patahai	Saturday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Manila	Zafra	Sunday, 11th, 9.00 A.M.
Pakhoi and Haiphong	Hongkong	Sunday, 11th, 9.30 A.M.
Canton	Hankow	Sunday, 11th, 9.00 A.M.
Manila	Rosita Maru	Sunday, 11th, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C. and Tacoma	Victoria	Sunday, 11th, 9.00 A.M.

TO-DAY.

Sale, Wines, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 11 a.m.
TO-MORROW.
Sale, Japanese Curios, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 2.30 p.m.
Sale, Miscellaneous, Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Remedios, 2.30 p.m.
Victoria Variety Club's Concert, St. Patrick's Hall, 8.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON.	8th October.
Telegraphic Transfer	1/10 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	1/10 1/2
Bank Bills, at 20 days' sight	1/10 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/10 1/2
Credit, at 4 months' sight	1/10 1/2
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/10 1/2
ON PARIS.	
Bank Bills, on demand	234
Credit, at 4 months' sight	234
ON GENEVA.	
On demand	180 1/2
ON NEW YORK.	
Bank Bills, on demand	45 1/2
Credit, at 60 days' sight	46
ON BOMBAY.	
Telegraphic Transfer	138 1/2
Bank, on demand	138 1/2
ON CALCUTTA.	
Telegraphic Transfer	138 1/2
Bank, on demand	138 1/2
ON SHANGHAI.	
Bank, at sight	72 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight	72 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA.	
On demand	Nominal.
ON SINGAPORE.	
On demand	Nominal.
ON HONGKONG.	
On demand	11 p.m.
ON SAIGON.	
On demand	1 p.m.
ON BANGKOK.	
On demand	1 p.m.
FORREIGNERS, Bank's Buying Rate	\$10.85
60 DAY LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	\$37.90
40 DAY LEAF, per oz.	27 1/2

OPIUM.

Quotations are—	Allowance net to 1 catty.	8th October.
Malwa New	\$970	to per picul
Malwa Old	\$1030	to
Malwa Old	\$1060	to
Malwa Old	\$1090	to
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Malwa Old	\$10000	to

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
The P. & O. steamer *Malta* left Singapore for this port on the 4th inst., at 10 a.m., and is due here to-day, at about noon.
THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The O. & O. steamer *Gaelic* left Shanghai for this port on the 7th inst., at 10 a.m.
The T.K.K. steamer *Hongkong Maru* leaves Yokohama for this port, via Inland Sea, &c., on the 9th inst., at 10 a.m.
THE GERMAN MAIL.
The Imperial German mail steamer *Segelitz* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 4th inst., and may be expected here on the 13th inst.
The Imperial German mail steamer *Preussen* left Colombo on the 3rd inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 14th inst.
THE INDIAN MAIL.
The steamer *Lightning* left Singapore for this port on the 6th inst., p.m.
The Indo-China steamer *Kuonshing* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits, on the 4th inst., and may be expected here on the 20th inst.
THE CHINESE MAIL.